



**PATENT**  
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In re Application of: Thomas E. Loftus  
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For: RETROFIT CHAIN SICKLE CHANGER

**COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS**  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to an office action in the subject application.

- Applicant claims small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27.
- Petition For Extension Of Time
  - Applicant petitions for a three-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136, the fee for which is \$465.00 (enclosed).
  - Applicants believe that no petition for an extension of time is necessary. However, to the extent that such petition is deemed necessary, Applicants hereby petition for a sufficient extension of time to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 07-0181 for the appropriate petition fee.
- No additional claim fee is required.
- Other: Copy of *U.S. Filter Corp v. Ionics, Inc.* (68 F. Supp.2d 48, 53 USPQ2d 1071)

The claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

				SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY		
		CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDT. CLAIM FEE	RATE	
TOTAL	23	MINUS	23	=0	x 9=	\$0.00	x 18=	\$
INDEPENDENT	3	MINUS	3	=0	x 42=	\$0.00	x 84=	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE CLAIM					+ 135=	\$	+ 270=	\$
					TOTAL	\$0.00	TOTAL	\$

- Please charge my Deposit Account No. 07-0181 in the amount of \$ A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
- A check in the amount of \$465.00 is attached.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-0181. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
  - Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
  - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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Respectfully submitted,

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